Report on the administration of the Meteorological Department for the year 1939-40.

READ—

Correspondence ending with letter No. 47, dated 7th October 1940, from the Meteorologist, submitting the Report on the Administration of the Meteorological Department for the year 1939-40.

ORDER No. G. 4595-606—G. M. 70-40-3, DATED BANGALORE, THE 26TH NOVEMBER 1940.

Recorded.

C. E. NORONHA,
Secretary to Government,
Development Department.

Corrigendum to the annexure to Government Order No. G. 2466-8—Med. 65-40-2, dated 20th September 1940.

CORRIGENDUM.

No. G. 4627-8—MED. 65-40-6, DATED BANGALORE, THE 27TH NOVEMBER 1940.

In the annexure to Government Order No. G. 2466-8—Med. 65-40-2, dated 20th September 1940, in No. I Revised List showing the classification of operations and fees prescribed, *omit* "Thoracoplasty" under Class IV, and *insert* it under Class VI.

By Order,
C. E. NORONHA,
Secretary to Government,
Development Department.

Recognition of the "Abhaya Ashraya" maintained by the Association of Moral and Social Hygiene, Bangalore City, as a "Rescue Home."

READ—

Correspondence ending with Un-official Note No. V. S. 1074-3, dated 11th May 1940, from the Director of Public Health, stating that the "Ashram" maintained at Bangalore City by the Association for Moral and Social Hygiene in Mysore may be recognised as a "Rescue Home" in connection with the application to Bangalore City of the Act for the Suppression of Brothels and Immoral Traffic in the Mysore State.

ORDER No. G. 4719-24—P. H. 52-40-1, DATED BANGALORE, THE 28TH NOVEMBER 1940.

Government are pleased to direct that the "Ashram" known as the "Abhaya Ashraya" maintained by the Association for Moral and Social Hygiene in Mysore, Bangalore City, be recognised as a "Rescue Home" for the purposes of Sections 7 and 8 of Act VIII of 1936, for the Suppression of Brothels and Immoral Traffic in the Mysore State.

C. E. NORONHA,
Secretary to Government,
Development Department.

LAW SECRETARIAT

Progress made in the villages selected for intensive work in the State for the half-year ended 30th June 1940.

READ—

Letter No. C. per Hy. 21-1—39-40, dated the 26—27th September 1940, from the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore, forwarding the brief report on the progress made in the villages selected for intensive work in the State during the half-year ended 30th June 1940.

ORDER No. L. 4133-4—V. P. 25-40-4, DATED BANGALORE, THE 25TH NOVEMBER 1940.

Recorded.

2. The accompanying report is published for general information.

H. V. NARAYANA RAO,
Secretary to Government,
Law Department.

ANNEXURE.

Report on the progress of work done in the villages selected for concentrated propaganda for Rural Welfare in the State during the half-year ended 30th June 1940.

The scheme for organizing concentrated propaganda for rural welfare worked in 261 villages (including a few Banajara Tandas) as against 256 in the previous year.

2. The district reports give in detail the several improvement works done or proposed to be done in each village. The following is a brief summary of the progress achieved:—

I. Revenue Department—(*i*) *Raising the standard of Village Panchayet Administration.*—Almost all the selected village panchayets have been taking good deal of interest in managing their local affairs and there was considerable improvement in the collection of village panchayet taxes in most of them. One thousand two hundred and ninety-two meetings were held during the half-year, of which 206 were special meetings. One hundred and seventy-seven village panchayets have prepared budget estimates. The accounts of 109 village panchayets were audited by the Revenue Officers and 8 by the Local Audit Staff of the Comptroller's Office. Seventeen village panchayets are levying optional taxes.

(*ii*) *Water Supply.*—All the selected villages command facilities for drinking water. Separate wells for Adikarnatakas or other depressed classes have been sunk in 123 villages.

(3) The following villages enjoy protected water-supply facilities:—

Bangalore District	...	Jigani, Attibele, Mayasandra, Yediyur and Satnur.
Kolar ,,	...	Vokkaleri, Ablodu, Melur, Doddakurugod and Bisalahalli.
Tumkur ,,	...	Hebbur, Gulur, Kyathasandra, Chikthotlukere, Nidasale, Yeliyur, Mangalwada, Hoskote, Thovinakere and Thumbadi.
Mysore ,,	...	Antharasanthe.
Hassan ,,	...	Mudalahippe, Halli Mysore, Kattebelaguli, Kadavinakote, Hirisave, Nuggihalli, Cholenahalli, Navile and Yeliyur.
Kadur ,,	...	Narvey, Jayapura, Rishyasringapura, Hariharapura and Baggavalli.

Borewells have been sunk in Konandur, Doddikoppa and Ayanur villages in Shimoga District, Chinkuli in Mandya District, Sakrepatna in Kadur Taluk and two selected villages of Mysore District. The question of fixing up a hand-pump to the borewell at Sakrepatna and supplying water through pipes has been referred to the Sanitary Engineering Department. Pipe line scheme of water-supply to Banakal village in Mudgere Taluk is almost completed and that to Lakkuvalli is under correspondence. Besides these, miscellaneous improvements were affected to the existing drinking water wells in a majority of the selected villages.

(*iii*) *Improvement of Village Sites and Streets according to a definite Plan and Drainage, etc.*—Improvement of streets according to a definite plan is being done in about 106 selected villages. Separate extensions for Adikarnatakas or other depressed classes have been formed in 114 villages. The formation of a separate extension for Adikarnatakas in Belagola village in Seringapatam Taluk sanctioned in Government Order No. L. 8559-63—V. P. 42-39-6, dated 4th April 1940 has been taken up.

In Sugganahalli, Closepet Taluk, lands were acquired for the construction of a Primary School building, a market and a playground for the children. New roads were formed and existing roads improved in eight selected villages of Tumkur District at a cost of Rs. 733. Block plans have been prepared in respect of all the selected villages of Chitaldrug District and of the villages of Tangali, Lakkavalli, Balehonnur, Banakal, Kempanahalli, Lingadahalli, Singatagere, Mattighatta and Sakrepatna of Kadur District, and action is being taken for opening out roads, etc.,

according to approved plan. Streets have been aligned in the villages of Sakrepatna, Singatagere, Yagate, Kalasa, Banakal, Allampura and Karthikere. Roads were formed and drains constructed in the marginally noted villages at a cost of Rs. 774-12-0. The insanitary drinking water honda at Sakrepatna was filled up and two existing wells were deepened and repaired for providing adequate water-supply. A special R. R. grant of Rs. 350 was sanctioned to Kempanahalli Village Panchayet towards the formation of a drive to the Ratnagiri hills and for effecting other improvements.

Singatagere.
Mathighatta.
Tangali.
Yagate.

4. Measures for the beautification of villages such as (1) white-washing the walls of houses, (2) construction of tiled houses in place of thatched ones, (3) replacing small windows by large ones, (4) putting up name stones and ornamental gate pillars, (5) formation of parks and planting fruit, flower and shade trees therein or in front of villages and (6) street-lighting in villages by means of petromax lights or electric lights etc., were undertaken in some villages. There is satisfactory drainage in almost all the selected villages and about 151 village panchayets are maintaining sweeping and scavenging establishments.

II. Education Department—(*i*) *Increasing the number of School-going Children.*—According to the information received, the strength of the school-going children increased by about 875. The training in health habits introduced in the schools of Maiganahalli, Bidadi and Sugganahalli in Closepet Taluk by the Rural Health Unit at Closepet as an experimental measure is reported to have produced good results in improving the personal hygiene of the school children. An attempt is being made in this respect in the schools of some of the selected villages of Hassan District also and the Deputy Commissioner has reported that although rapid progress could not be shown in this direction, still wash basins, towels, soaps, combs, etc., were supplied wherever possible, which has resulted in some improvement.

(*ii*) *Adult Schools.*—Adult schools have been opened in the following villages:—

District.	*Village.*	*Strength of the School.*
Bangalore	1. Varthur	40
	2. Hasigala	20
	3. Mubabala	18
Tumkur	1. Kodigenahalli	25
	2. Byalya	17
	3. Hosakere	25
	4. Hosakote	24
Mandya	1. Vydyanathapura	22
	2. Induvala	
Hassan	1. Dudda	20
	2. Palya	20
	3. Kiragadalu	16
	4. Belagumba	16
Kadur	1. Balehonnur Coffee Farm	not working satisfactorily.
Chitaldrug	1. Belaghatta	
	2. Hirehalli	
	3. Konasagara	
	4. Bagur	
	5. Dummi	
	6. Thalya	

At Kodigenahalli in Madhugiri Taluk, a night school has been opened for the benefit of Muslim adults and 27 students are attending the classes. There are two adult schools, one at Kadalur and another at Poorigali for the Adikarnatakas. Adult literary classes were conducted for a period of one month in Maiganahalli village, Closepet Taluk, and 19 adults received training. The Karnataka Sangha at Gorur conducted a "Literary Week" during April and May 1940, during which a series of lectures embracing all aspects were delivered. Small rural libraries have been started in Dudda and Buvanahalli in Hassan Taluk. The Karnataka Sanghas at Gorur and Channarayapatna are reported to have done much to spread literacy in the surrounding villages and a grant-in-aid of Rs. 25 each from the R. R. grant was given to these as well as other Karnataka Sanghas that attempted adult education.

(*iii*) *Scouting.*—Scouting has been introduced in 88 selected villages in the several districts as noted in the margin. Special attention is being paid to physical culture also.

Bangalore	...	12
Kolar	...	14
Tumkur	...	12
Mysore	...	8
Mandya	...	4
Hassan	...	10
Shimoga	...	12
Kadur	...	6
Chitaldrug	...	10

III. Department of Health—(*i*) *Vaccination.*—It is reported that about 6,774 vaccinations were conducted during the half-year in some of the selected villages of all districts except Kadur.

(*ii*) *Maternity Homes.*—Maternity homes have been opened in the following villages :—

Kolar District	...	Holur, Vokkaleri, Peerasandra, Marganakunte and Beechaganahalli.
Tumkur ,,	...	Kadaba, Huliyur, Honnavalli, Hoskote and Nonavinakere.
Mysore ,,	...	Bilikere, Ravandur and Gargeswari.
Hassan ,,	...	Dudda.
Shimoga ,,	...	Gajanur, Kulambi, Agumbe and Konandur.

The question of opening maternity homes in some more villages is in various stages of correspondence.

(*iii*) *Distribution of Quinine.*—Arrangements have been made for the distribution of quinine pills according to the needs of the locality. It is reported that the District Boards of Kolar, Tumkur and Hassan distributed 4,000, 1;180 and 5,000 quinine pills, respectively, in the selected villages of their districts during the half-year. The village panchayets of Dodbelavangala and Tubagere in Bangalore District distributed 500 quinine pills among the villagers. The District Health Officer and other local officers of the Health Department distributed 42,275 "Tota Quina" tablets in the selected villages of the Shimoga District. About 1,000 quinine pills were distributed by the Mandya District Board in the selected villages of Krishnarajpete Taluk. The village panchayets of Vydyanathapur and Kadalur in Mandya District distributed 445 and 210 pills, respectively, in their villages.

IV. Department of Agriculture including Veterinary—(*i*) *Better Farming Methods including Supply of good Seeds and Implements.*—Propaganda and demonstration regarding better farming methods were undertaken by the officers of the department in a majority of the selected villages. The popularisation of improved seeds, manure and implements is being carried out by means of demonstration plots, as a result of which a large number of raiyats have taken to improved methods of farming. The Deputy Commissioners' reports narrate in detail the various demonstrations conducted during the half-year under report.

(*ii*) *Poultry Farming.*—Poultry farming has been introduced in the following villages :—

Bangalore District	...	Bidalur, Yediyur, Hasigala, Mathikere, Maiganahalli, Bidadi, Doddabelavangala, Mayasandra and Dodmalur.
Tumkur District	...	Huliyar, Nidasale, Kibbanahalli, Thandaga and Kadaba.
Mysore District	...	Bilikere, Gargeswari, Chatnahalli and Kodagahalli.
Mandya District	...	Halebidanur and Induval, Belagola, Kumbarasettihalli, Palahalli, Kooragahalli, Naroonahalli, Baburayanakoppal.
Hassan District	...	Adagoor, Halebid, Arehalli, Keralapur, Basavapatna, Nuggihalli, Yeliyur, Hirisave, Jayachamarajapura, Doddametikurke, Gandasi, Kattebelaguli and Kenchammanahosakote.
Shimoga District	...	Gajanur, Talaguppe and Konandur. A private poultry farm is maintained at Santhekadur in Shimoga Taluk.
Kadur District	...	Kempanahalli.
Chitaldrug District	...	Chikjajur, Doddabati, Bagur, Dummi, Talya, Ramagiri and Holalkere Banajara Tanda.

The village panchayet of Konandur in Tirthahalli Taluk have maintained English Breed of Poultry in the village. The chairmen of the village panchayets are being advised to popularise poultry farming in their villages.

(*iii*) *Bee-keeping.*—Bee-keeping has been introduced in the following villages :—

Bangalore District	...	Yediyur, Harohalli, Satnur, Hasigala, Magubala and Bidadi.
Kolar District	...	Kappalamadagu, Byrakur and Dodkurugod.
Tumkur District	...	Gulur, Kyathasandra, Kodigenahalli, Byalya and Doddayennegere
Hassan District	...	Kenchammanahosakote, Ballu, Belagod, Yeslur, Arehalli.
Shimoga District	...	Gajanur, Avinahalli, Talaguppe, Haidravathi, Agumbe, Mandagadde, Beguvalli and Konandur.
Kadur District	...	Jayapura and Haribarapura.
Chitaldrug District	...	Janakal and Adivala.

A bee-hive with a colony stationed at Mayaganahalli by Mr. M. B. Gurulingiah is reported to have yielded honey during the half-year and he has added one more bee-hive colony. He has also started the manufacture of bee-hives as per models furnished by the department. The officers of the department are taking interest by giving timely advice and other facilities for maintaining bee-hives and extracting honey, and some of these are getting on very successfuly.

(*iv*) *Dairying.*—Nil.

(*v*) *Planting of Fruit Trees.*—Kitchen gardens have been formed in the villages of Kengeri, Yediyur, Krishnarajapura, Varthur, Madivala, Harohalli and Satnur in Bangalore District; Nangli and Byrakur in Kolar District; Thovinakere, Kibbanahalli, Mayasandra, Kadaba, Hagalwadi, Chelur, Nidasale and Yeliyur in Tumkur District; Murkunahally, Madapura, Gondenahally, Kikkeri, Aghalya, and Sindaghatta in Mandya District; Anavatti, Moodi and Hosabale in Shimoga District and Mathighatta, Sakrepatna and Singatagere in Kadur District. Fruit plants of various kinds have been planted in a majority of selected villages either in the village parks wherever they have been opened or in the back yards of houses or by the side of important roads. There is cultivation of vegetables on a commercial basis at Holehonnur in Shimoga Taluk and arrangements have been made to supply improved seeds. The vegetable gardens maintained by the villagers of Soratur in Honnali Taluk are reported to be in a satisfactory condition and the Chairman of the village panchayet is taking measures for extending the area under gardens. Under instructions from the Superintendent, Government Gardens, the village panchayet of Agumbe have undertaken to form a fruit orchard in the village to demonstrate to the people the advantages of fruit cultivation.

(*vi*) *Improvement of Live-Stock.*—A majority of the selected villages have maintained breeding bulls. He-buffaloes have been maintained in five of the selected villages of Tumkur District. The Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District, reports that in order to encourage the villagers to maintain good stud-bulls, a scheme of granting suitable subvention to deserving private breeders is under contemplation and that as a first step in this direction, a sum of Rs. 51-8-0 was sanctioned to a private breeder in Hole-Narasipur Taluk. Goat-keeping and rearing introduced in five villages of the Shimoga District as an experimental measure with a view to popularise goat's milk is reported to be working well in all these villages, except one. Cross-bred Merino rams are maintained in Mudlahippe and Nuggihalli villages of Hassan District.

(*vii*) *Improvement of Gomal Lands.*—It is reported that demonstrations by way of planting Napier grass have produced good results and that raiyats have begun to appreciate its advantages.

V. Department of Industries and Commerce.—(*i*) Sericulture industry has been introduced in the villages of Chikjala, Bidalor, Haralahalli, Satnur and Bidadi in Bangalore District and Poorigali, Hadli and Uppanahalli in Mandya District. The Sericultural grainages at Thalagavara and Melur in Kolar District are reported to be working well. The Deputy Commissioner reports that this has encouraged the people of the neighbouring villages to take up the cultivation of mulberry crop on a large scale. Instructions have been issued to the local Revenue Officers to encourage the village panchayets in sericultural areas to raise mulberry topes.

(*ii*) *Handloom Weaving and other Cottage Industries.*—Handloom industry is in progress on a small scale in Harohalli, Satnur and Jigani villages in Bangalore District; Lakkur and Dodkurugod in Kolar District; Chinnadagudihundi in Mysore District; and Kooragahalli and Palahalli in Mandya District. The possibility of

starting a coir industry at Ballekatte in Tumkur District is under consideration. The Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District reports that the village of Gorur has become prominent in cottage industry. Mat-weaving and Khadi cloth have been improved, while tile-making, pottery and paper-making are gaining ground. One boy of Thyajavalli in Shimoga District, who was sent to Hiriyur for training in mat-weaving has returned and it is reported that he is able to start the industry in the village. His application for a loan of Rs. 50 has been recommended to the Director of Industries and Commerce for sanction. Two students have been selected from Begavalli in Tirthahalli Taluk to undergo training in smithy in the Industrial School at Shimoga and one from Konandur to undergo training in mat-making at Hiriyur and a scholarship of Rs. 50 has been sanctioned to the latter by the village panchayet concerned. The rural weaving centre at Shivane in Kadur District is working satisfactorily and doing useful work. Mat-making and tanning industries introduced in Doddasiddavvanahalli in Chitaldrug Taluk are very popular. The Adikarnatakas of this and surrounding villages have been taking keen interest. More than 15 people have learnt the improved tanning methods. A button-making section has also been opened along with tanning and 15 persons are undergoing training in button manufacture. A Khadi centre has also been opened in the village. Mat-weaving industry at Babbur, Harthikote and Maradihalli continued to work satisfactorily. The Deputy Commissioner, Mandya District, has reported that the tanning experiments at Chamanahalli have been quite successful and afford a good opening for Adikarnatakas.

(*iii*) *Standard Weights and Measures.*—It is reported that standard weights and measures are in use in the following villages:—

Bangalore District	...	Kengeri, Varthur, Satnur, Attibele, Mayasandra and Jigani.
Kolar District	...	Nangli, Byrakur, Nandi and Peerasandra.
Mysore District	...	Hebbal, Chandagal and Hampapura.

VI. Co-operative Department.—Co-operative societies exisit in most of the selected villages. Action is being taken by the officers of the Co-operative Department to put them into working order as some of them are still in a moribund condition. The question of starting cocoanut marketing society at Jayachamarajapura and Doddametikurke in Arsikere Taluk is stated to be under consideration, while the Halebid Co-operative Society is reported to have resolved to undertake the stocking and selling of cotton and cotton seeds. The Kattebelaguli Co-operative Society has encouraged poultry farming in the area by advancing loans to intending breeders. The Gorur Society has been working satisfactorily and it meets the monthly charges of Rs. 3 of the Sub-Assistant Surgeon for his weekly visits. Government have sanctioned a subvention of Rs. 100 for initial expenses and a loan of Rs. 750 free of interest for two years to the Nuggihalli Cocoanut and Copra Marketing Society with a view to give an impetus to the commercial credit co-operative societies. The system of supplying agricultural implements, manures, seeds and koleroga materials through the co-operative societies at Kigga, Jayapura and Balehonnur in Kadur District continued to work well.

5. *General.*—Radio sets have been installed at Vokkaleri, Kolar Taluk and Melur in Sidlaghatta Taluk. The set installed as an experimental measure at Gulur in Tumkur Taluk is working well. Mr. S. L. Muddubasaviah has donated a Radio set to Sugganahalli Village Panchayet in Closepet Taluk for the entertainment of the villagers.

The work done in the selected villages can be said to be satisfactory although much remains to be done yet.